

## **Appendix 13**

### **HealthCheck General Information**

HealthCheck is Wisconsin Medicaid's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program. Providers should encourage recipients to obtain regular HealthCheck services for their children. HealthCheck promotes early detection and treatment of health conditions that could lead to chronic illness and disabilities in children. HealthCheck screening exams are comprehensive and include the following components:

- A complete health and development history (including anticipatory guidance).
- A comprehensive unclothed physical examination.
- An age-appropriate vision screening examination.
- An age-appropriate hearing screening examination.
- An oral assessment and referral to a dentist for children, beginning at three years of age.
- The appropriate immunizations (according to age and health history).
- The appropriate laboratory tests (including blood lead level assessment when appropriate for age and risk).

For Medicaid recipients under 18 years of age, HealthCheck screens do not require a copayment. Recipients 18-20 years of age, who are not in a Medicaid HMO, pay a copayment. There is no copayment for recipients enrolled in a Medicaid HMO.

Recipients may call the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) Maternal and Child Health Hotline listed in Appendix 15 of this handbook for information about HealthCheck providers. Recipients enrolled in a Medicaid HMO should call their HMO.

Please refer to Appendix 14 of this handbook for the HealthCheck screening schedule.